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Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge

Pacific Southwest Region

2013-2014 Waterfowl Hunting Season



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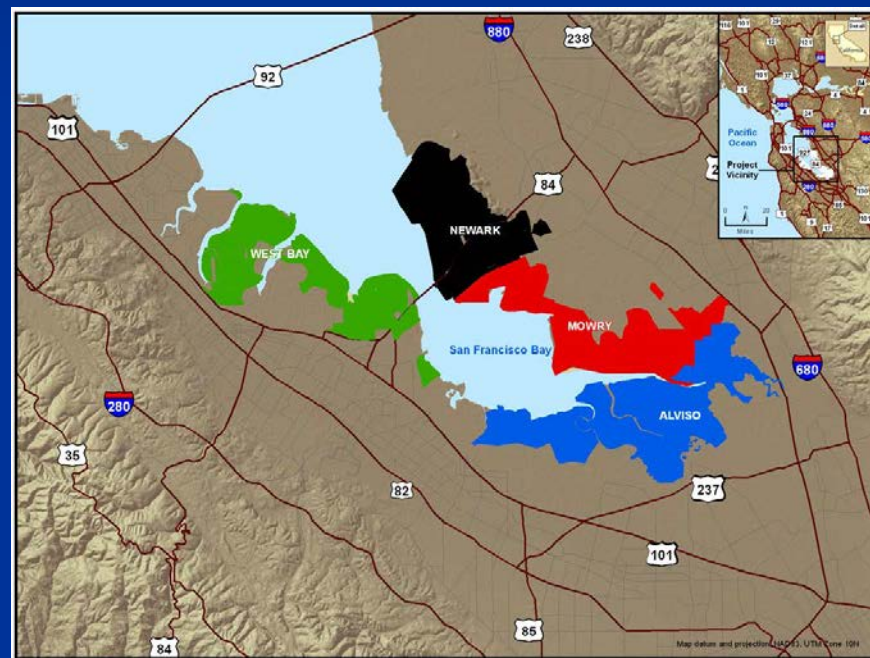
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Overview

- Refuge Overview & Purposes
- Hunting Areas within the Refuge
- 2013-2014 Hunting Regulations
- Permit Process
- Contacts & Questions

Don Edwards San Francisco Bay NWR





Refuge Overview

- Established by Congress in 1972
- ~30,000 acres within the South San Francisco Bay
- Largest of the seven refuges with the San Francisco Bay NWR Complex
- Home to nine endangered species





Refuge Purposes

- Conserve listed species
- Manage for migratory birds and other wildlife
- Restore and protect habitats
- Promote environmental education
- Provide wildlife-oriented recreation (e.g., hunting)



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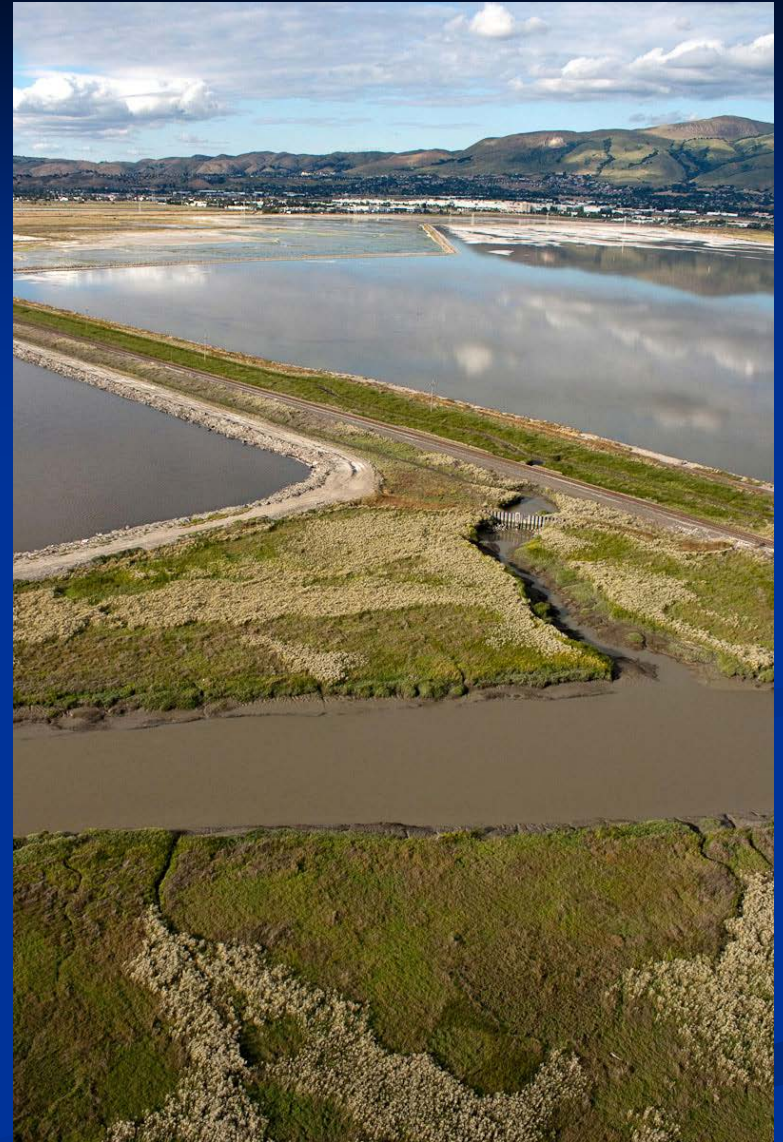


September 2009

Salt Pond A21

Tidal Marsh Habitat

- 90% of historic tidal marshes have been lost
- Many tidal marsh species are now threatened or endangered
- Tidal marsh is protected habitat



Manage Pond Habitat

- Important habitat for dense migratory bird populations in migration and winter



Waterfowl Season Dates

Early Season - large Canada geese only: **September 28 – October 2**

Regular Season – ducks, geese, & coots: **October 19 – January 26**

Youth Hunt*: **February 1 – February 2**

*15 years of age or younger and must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult.



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Map 1. Overview Map of Hunt Program

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Baumberg Ponds
CA Dept. of Fish & Game

San Francisco Bay

Bair Island

Green Island

Cargill
Redwood City
Plant Site

Ravenswood Unit

Redwood City

Menlo Park

Newark

Fremont

Mowry Slough Unit

Coyote Creek

Mountain View
Shoreline Park

NASA/Ames
Moffet Field

Sunnyvale
Treatment Plant

Alviso Unit

Gold Street Entrance

Legend

- Open for hunting 7 days/wk
- Open for hunting Wed/Sat/Sun
- Boat Ramp



0 1 2 4 Miles



Bair Island

Corkscrew Slough

Smith Slough

Redwood Creek

Greco Island

Redwood City, CA

5435 ft

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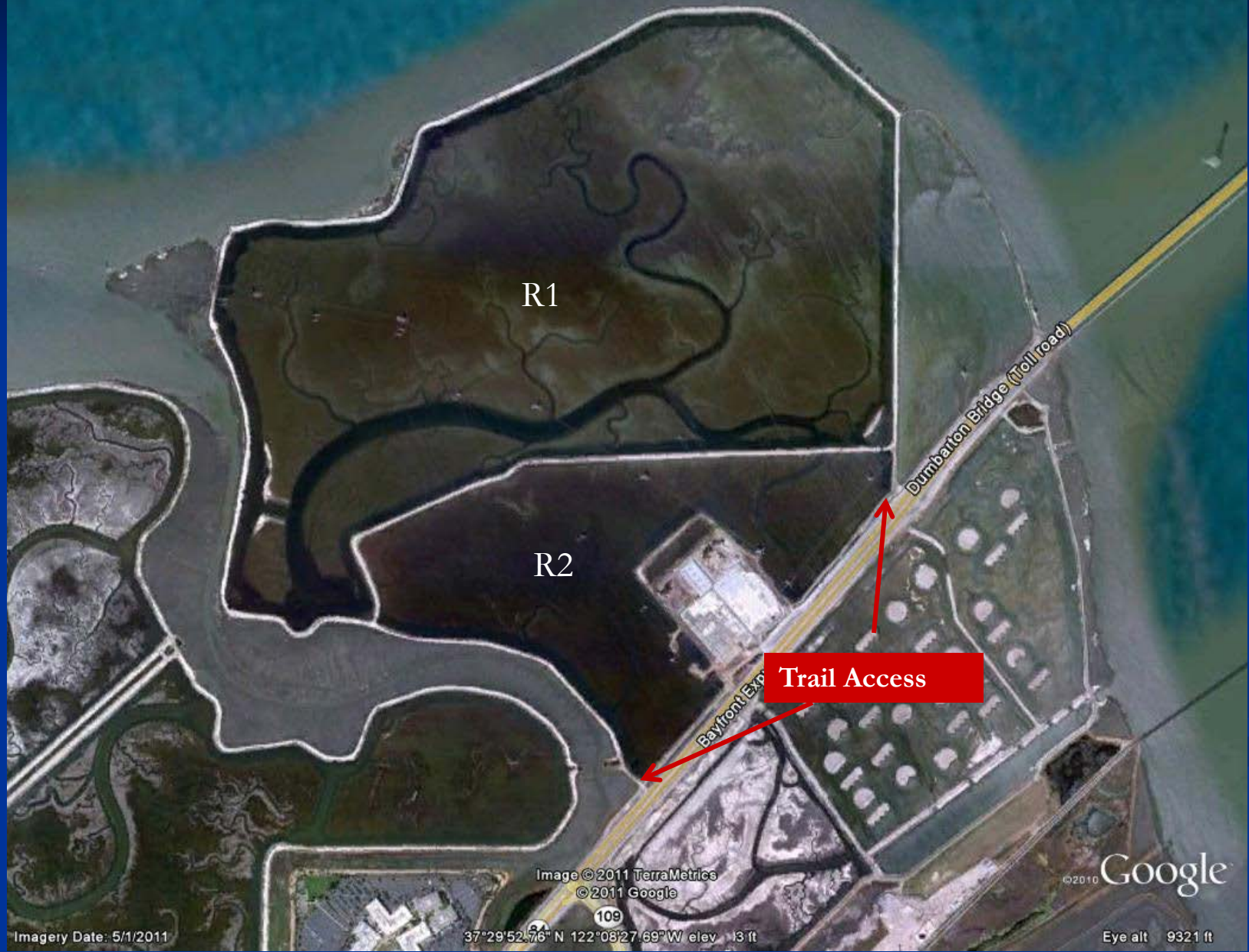
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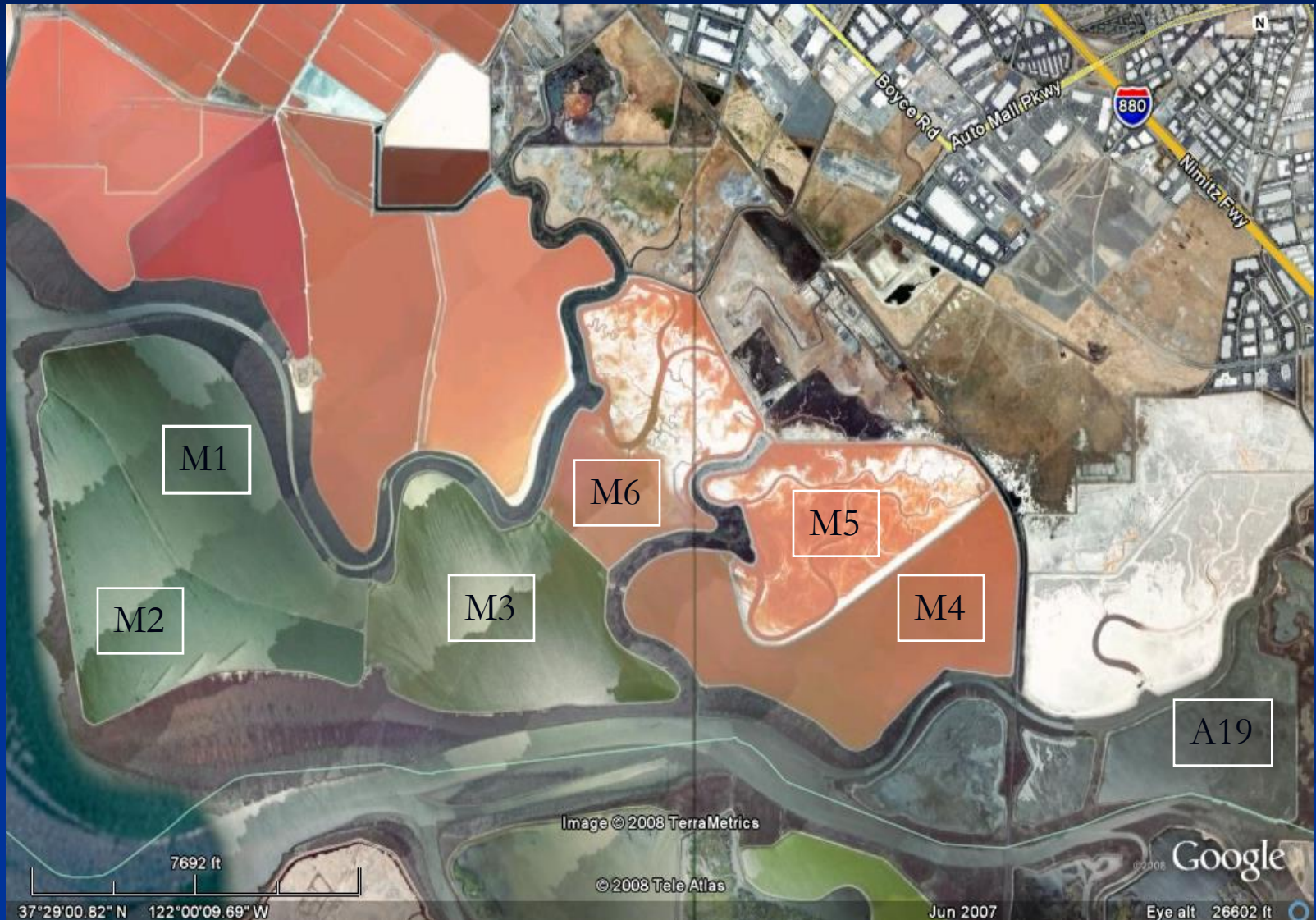
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Ravenswood Ponds R1 & R2



Mowry Ponds & Pond A19



“The Mallard”

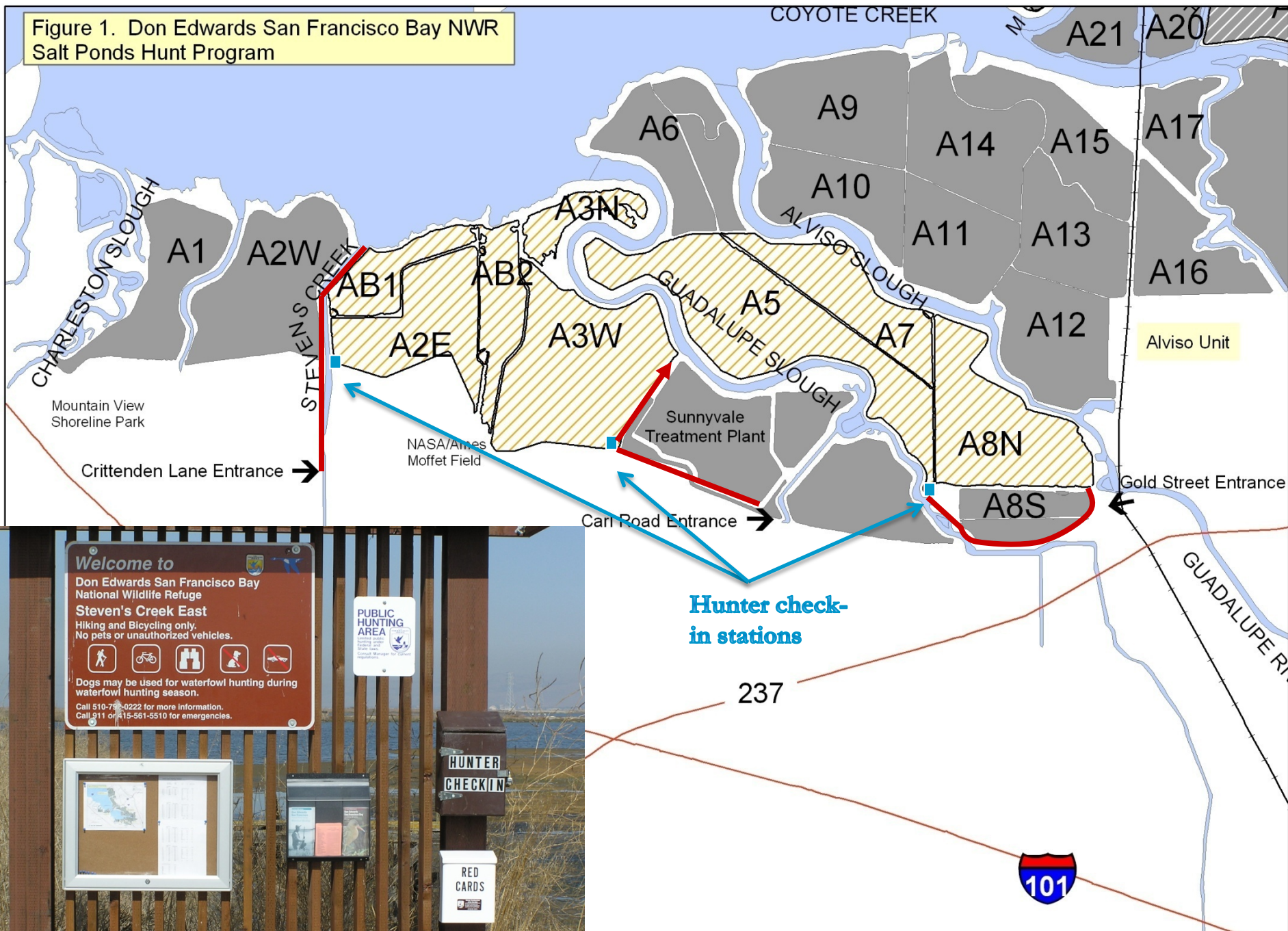


Alviso Ponds

Open 3 days a week for waterfowl hunting



Figure 1. Don Edwards San Francisco Bay NWR Salt Ponds Hunt Program



Maps, Directions, Hunting Regulations
and more are
available on our website at
[http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Don_Edwards_
San_Francisco_Bay*](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Don_Edwards_San_Francisco_Bay)

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VISITOR ACTIVITIES

Refuge Map

Activity Schedule
for Fall 2013

Tideline

Waterfowl
Hunting
Information

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2013-2014 Permits

located on page 6 of the
Waterfowl Hunting Regulations:



2013-2014 Waterfowl Hunting Permit

PRINT NAME _____

I have read and understand the 2013-2014 refuge hunting regulations.

SIGNATURE _____

PERMIT NUMBER* _____ GATE COMBO* _____

*You must call (510) 792-0222 (Ext. 125) or email eric_mruez@fws.gov to obtain this information.

Report accidents or injuries occurring on the Refuge to: Refuge Manager
(510) 792-0222

Report violations to:
U.S. Park Police dispatch (415) 561-5510

Report Poachers to:
Dept. of Fish and Game (888) DFG-CALTIP

This card must be completed to be valid. It must be carried by the hunter during the hunts.

2013-2014 Duck Hunter Check-In Form

■ = Hunt Days in Alviso Ponds

October 2013						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

November 2013						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

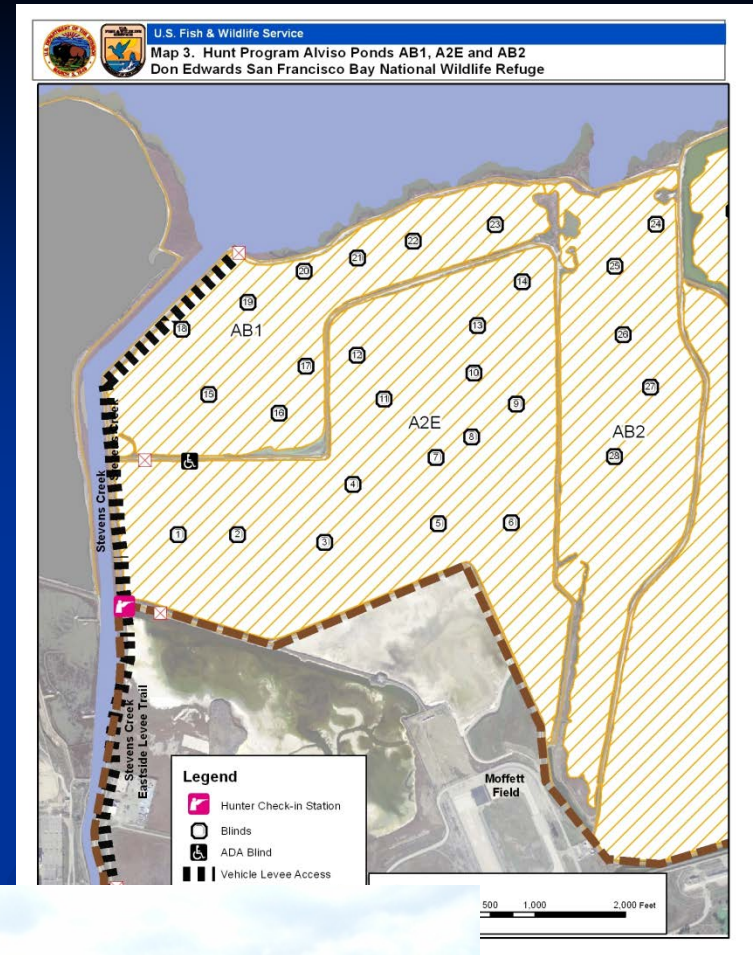
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

January 2014						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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Hunt Blinds

- Blind #'s on maps at check in stations
- Blinds are first-come, first served
- 1 “disabled blind” on Pond A2E – by reservation only



What can you do to help ?

- Volunteer Opportunities
- Hunting blind materials: repair and build
- Enforcement (US Park Police Dispatch – 415-561-5510)
- Refuge Hunt Fee – not this year
- Keep it clean – PLEASE pick up shells and trash
- Follow speed limits on levees – 15 mph

Contacts

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